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OR,

Curious Amuſements for the INGENIOUS.

To which are Added the moſt

Material Occurrences Foreign and Domeſtick.

Perform'd by ſome of the Society of GENTLEMEN, *Concern'd in the Firſt and Second* VOLUME, *with the Aſſiſtance of other Ingenious* PERSONS.

From Monday November 20th. to Wedneſday November 22d. 1710.

GENTLEMEN,

Q. *I Beg your Solution to the following Queſtions, viz. Firſt, in what manner and how far the Humours and Temperaments of the Body, act upon the Soul, and change its motions? Secondly, how, and alſo how far the Motions of the Mind, Influence and alter the Body? Your inſerting them in your next, by Reaſon I ſent you them before, will infinitely Oblige,*

Your Admirer, John N——il.

A. Galen, obſerving the ſtrict Union of the Soul with the Body, and how the Uſe of immoderately hot or cold Medicines wou'd occaſion Madneſs in Young People, and Forgetfulneſs, Doatage, and Raving in the Old, was from thence induced to confeſs freely, that he did not know, what the Soul is, and afterwards to be of Opinion that it was nothing elſe but the Temperature of the Body, which muſt therefore Periſh with the Body. So deeply was this Notion impreſſed in him, that he Writ a large Book to demonſtrate the dependance of the Affections and Diſpoſitions of the Soul upon the Temperature of the Body. Indeed, repeated Experience Obliges us to grant, that the Influence of the Qualities of thoſe Elements that compoſe the Body, is ſometimes ſo prevalent as wholly to ſuppreſs all the Faculties of the Soul. There is a great variety of Noxious Fumes proceeding from Bodies, which clouding and overpowering the Brain, either damps or extrudes thoſe finer Spirits by the Mediation of which the Soul operates. And even thoſe Spirits themſelves, which are the Inſtruments of the Soul's Operations, having their Original from the Body, muſt conſequently be affected moſt with thoſe Qualities of the Body that are Predominant, and be Subject to all the Changes that the Qualities are: So that according as theſe are the Operations of the Mind will be expedited or obſtructed. The Relation that the Soul has to the Body has been by Philoſophers in ſome Reſpects very fitly repreſented by that of Harmony to a Muſical Inſtrument. For as the Excellence of Harmony depends upon a juſt Proportion of the Qualities, and fit Diſpoſition of the Parts of the Organ; ſo does that of the Underſtanding, upon a happy Temperament of Body. If the Body is diſtorted or corrupted, it becomes an improper Inſtrument for the Soul to act upon. Notwithſtanding the Influence of the Mind is not ſo great, but that that of the Mind on the contrary upon the Body is in general much greater. It often exerciſes over it a Deſpotic ſway, and Arbitrarily diſpoſes it either to Health or Sickneſs. Even *Galen*, himſelf more than once teſtifies, that the Affections of the Mind are endued with an admirable Power to drive away all Pains and Sickneſs from the Body, and that he often preſcribed no other Phyſick to his Patients, than to reſtrain their diſorderly or violent Paſſions by the force of Reaſon. No Man is by the natural Conſtitution of his Body ſo ſtrongly diſpoſed to any Vice, either of Luſt or Anger, but that he might be able to Conquer that Propenſion by the Power of rational Principles. And in general, we may ſay, that in all Moral Actions the Soul is poſſeſſed of an Abſolute Authority over the Body, if it pleaſes to exerciſe it; as on the contrary in Phyſical Actions the Body often governs. It is one of the hardeſt Queſtions in Philoſophy, of which we may ſay, with *Simonides*, when he had been ſtudying about the Nature of God, *The longer we conſider it, the more difficult we find it.*

Q. APOLLO, *Pray, favor me with the Demonſtration and Reaſon, of the following Solution, which will decide a Controverſy between another Perſon and*

Your Humble Servant, L. T.

What is the Interest of 57 l. 10 s.
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Answer, L. 7, (475). 9. 6.

A. If the Solution was performed only by this short Operation, we must own it to be admirably Compendious beyond any Thing we have seen of this Nature. But without a more ample Specimen of it, we must own our Incapacity to discover the Mystery that is in it. Any one Versed in the Solution of Arithmetical or Algebraical Questions will acknowledge it may be very difficult to find out the Reason of a final Equation, when the Process by which it was obtained is concealed, notwithstanding that the Solution of the Question it self, which that Equation determines may be otherwise very easy. In short, till the Querist gratifies us with some Explication of this Matter, or informs us how or where he met with this Solution, we do not know whether the two first Numbers were not Arbritrarily assumed, and whether any other two or more Numbers, might not have been as proper, if, when added together, they cou'd produce the Summ, *L.* 7, 475, the finding out of which was perhaps owing at first to some other more regular and plain Operation. For there is no greater Mystery in the Question it self than what is discoverable by the Golden Rule and many other ways.

Q. Learned Gentlemen, *I have sent a great many Letters to you, and never could have an Answer to any of them, therefore I would desire you to do me the favor to insert the Names of a Dozen, of the best* Comedies, *which Accomplish a Young Man to go a Courting. And in so doing you'll infinitely Oblige,*

Your Subscriber, Phi. Liege.

A. We know not what Questions you mean, which you have sent, and we not Answer'd; nor remember any came sign'd as the Present. It seems you think a Dozen Plays an exact Dose; one less will not furnish you with a sufficient stock, and one more will over-charge you. But we must tell you, that *Reading* of Plays will not do your Business; you must *Act* your Part, as well as Speak your Part; know how to give a soft Accent to your Languishments, to sigh with an Emphasis, and upon a Smile, to out-act the *French-Prophets*; in your Extacy; in short, you must know how to Play the *Fool* and *Madman* to the height of Nature, therefore we recommend to you, the *Sight* of Plays, for your further Instructions, or when you have got your Part by Heart, you may Murther it in the Acting of it.

Q. APOLLO, *I am Young Gentleman, that has been abroad to* Travel, *and when about Seven Months ago, I arrived to* England, *when abroad, I found a great many Gentry, both Men and Women, take delight to serve the Poor in the way of Physick, I having where-withal to Live very handsome, I have a great Inclination to follow the same Practice, to do good as I saw abroad done in* Charity, *therefore I Pray, that you will let me know know in your next, what Books are fit for my Studying, to make me Compleat, not as I ever design to make any use of it, to get my Living by it, and you will Oblige,*

Your Friend and Subscriber, P. J.

A. We highly commend your Generous, and Charitable Design; and if you'll let us have a Letter in the same Hand with your last, how we may direct to you, we will Advise you where to have what will be sufficient for use, and save much in the Price of the Books. They having fallen into the Hands of one, who is an Absolute Stranger to the Art, Since they will be Sold at under Rates, for their Author's Credit's sake, we thought not fit to insert their Titles.

Q. Gentlemen, *I am an Apprentice to a Merchant, who is no Freeman, and have served almost Six Years of my Time, my Master is a Gentleman of a good Estate, and Troubles himself but little about Trade, and Understands less*, &c.

A. If the Author lets us understand by another Letter, how to direct to him, we may give him some Satisfaction. It was needless to insert more of his Letter, it being of no use to the Publick.

POEMS.

Q. APOLLO, *we find,*
That time out of Mind,
The French *have often given to* Lying;
A Course of False Tales,
There, only prevails,
The Truth *as a Monster defying.*

Nor only to Men,
But even to Heav'n,
Their Falshoods they often have Nam'd;
When Victory *they,*
For Losing the Day,
They have with Thanksgiving *Proclam'd.*

But what is more Lewd,
And more Villainy shew'd,
They have with long Premeditation,
Forg'd previous Lies,
To black Perjuries,
Their Leagues, *Building on such Foundation.*

They never Transact,
Or Form a Compact,
But a Lye *is it's* Parent *at first;*
'Tis Midwif'd *likewise,*
To the World with round Lies,
And by Lies *it is afterwards* Nurs'd.

Thus, ev'ry League,
Seem'd but an Intreague,
Which ever they sign'd to this Hour;

Being

Be'ng ſure to revoke it,
And Wickedly broke it,
As ſoon as it was in their Pow'r.

And thus they of late
(Drove on by their Fate)
Pretended to Treat on a Peace;
When 'twas to amuſe,
Divide, and abuſe,
Which baulk'd of, the Treaty *did ceaſe.*

Tho' all along they,
Have proſper'd this way
And all their acquirements obtain'd;
Tho' the Bully *of* France,
Firſt led 'em this Dance,
And by Lies *and* Deluſions *has Reign'd.*

Tho' Honor *they fly,*
And true Bravery,
No Faith *in their* Courage *pretend;*
But only beguile,
By Trick and by Wile,
By Treachery gaining their end.

Since their Falſhood is found,
The World all around,
And all their Impoſtures detected;
The Fraudulent Vice,
Laid ope in a trice,
As ſoon as the Scheme is Projected.

Since none now will more,
Believe as before,
But when She *new matters rehearſes,*
Or Judgment declares,
Or Solemnly Swears,
All conſtrue exact the Reverſes.

The Caſe being ſo
(As all People know)
Wou'd not ſhe more Politic be;
With Labor to ſeek,
Truth ſometimes to ſpeak,
And more with her Int'reſt agree.

Decieving *we own,*
Her beſt Card is known,
For hiding her Wretched declining;
And does ('thout a Joke)
Appear her beſt Cloak,
And that for theſe Reaſons adjoining.

Such a Name She *has got*
(Tho' with ſhame it may rot)
For Falſhoods ſhe conſtantly plies;
Shou'd Truths paſs her Mouth,
They'd ſeem ſo uncouth,
By all they'd be taken for Lies.

So now, ſhou'd ſhe ſay,
Anjou *run away,*
With his Army all Curſedly maul'd,
That 'twas all in vain,
To hope more for Spain,
And that ſoon he'd to France *be recall'd.*

The World then wou'd fear,
His Spaniards *adhere,*
And wonderful Courage have ſhown;
That Charles *back again,*
Is returning from Spain,
And Philip, *ſecure on the Trone.*

And this might perſuade,
Declining our aid,
Concluding it wou'd come to late;
For we ſhou'd believe,
That France *did* Decieve,
As if ordain'd to it by Fate.

A. This never wou'd do,
(As imagin'd by you)
For *France* ſuch an *Habit,* from *Rome*;
Has gotten of *Lying,*
Forging and Denying,
That 'tis *Second Nature* become.

If Truth ſhe ſhou'd Speak,
'Twou'd look like a Freak,
Or Whimſical, groundleſs Invention;
And only be found,
Inariculate ſound,
Without any Thoughr or Intention.

SIR,

THE Letters from Bruſſels, Nov. 25. Adviſe, That the Day before the Duke of Marlborough and Prince Eugene ſet out from hence for Antwerp, the Cardinal de Bouillon ſitting in the Coach with them; That his Eminency goes to Bergen op Zoom for ſome Days, and then will return to Antwerp. That the Letters from St. Sebaſtians, of the 11th Inſtant, adviſe, that the French, by ſtopping all Poſts and Correſpondence, continue to hide from them all they can; but yet they had News, that the Portugueze had taken Benavente, and that General Staremberg will be able to maintain his Ground againſt the Attempts of the Enemy. From the Hague, Nov. 25. They Write that the Duke of Marlborough and Prince Eugene being expected there on Thurſday Night at fartheſt, the Secretary of Great-Britain, who is deſign'd for the Reſidence of Geneva, is gone with a Coach to Roterdam, to meet them there; That the mean while, the Treaſurer-General Hop, is preparing to give them a Magnificent Entertainment, ſoon after their Arrival. That the Arrival of the two abovemention'd Generals is impatiently expected, for the concerting of divers weighty

weighty Affairs; That the moſt important, and that which at preſent, requires the greateſt Application, is the Succouring of King Charles the III; That after all the Generous Efforts of the Queen of Great-Britain, it is not in the leaſt doubted, but thoſe Succours will very ſpeedily ſet out.

London, November the 22d.

The Hon. Robert Craven, Eſq; Brother to the Right Honourable the Lord Craven, and one of the Repreſentatives of the City of Coventry, Died laſt Week of the Small-Pox.

On Sunday laſt, Dr. Robinſon, Bp. of Briſtol, and Dr. Byſſe, Bp. of St. Davids, were Conſecrated, the Rev. Dr. Adams Preach'd the Conſecration-Sermon.

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